

**--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The invention relates to a welding torch with a torch body and a drive unit, for supplying a welding wire, in particular, for differing wire feed speeds, or a forward/backward wire feed and a tube assembly, connected to the torch body at an angle to a mid axis of the welding torch, whereby a wire core, for the welding wire, or the welding wire itself follows a curved course to form a wire buffer store and the amount of the welding wire contained in the wire buffer store can be adjusted by changing the curved course. According to the invention, a welding torch may be produced which is as simple and compact in construction as possible with an improved dynamic property for the wire feed, whereby the wire buffer store is arranged directly after the region of the connection of the tube assembly within the torch body and the tube assembly is arranged at an angle of 33 to 90° to the mid axis of the welding torch.--